

The Devil's River News

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THIRTY-FIRST WEEK

Vernon Cook In States After 21 Months Overseas

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Cook received word this week from their son, Radioman 3/c Vernon Cook, who has been overseas for the past twenty months with the Navy, that he landed in San Pedro, Calif., on Monday and expects to be home on leave within the next few weeks.

Cook, a graduate of the Sonora schools, entered service with the Navy on August 19, 1942, and was sent overseas in September of the same year after completing boot camp at San Diego, Calif. While overseas, he was stationed at Pearl Harbor, New Caledonia and Guadalcanal. At Pearl Harbor, where he has been stationed since December, 1943, he was an instructor.

Pascal Odom In M. P. Co. Cited For High Record

In any man's language, 150,000 Prisoners of War are a lot of captives to guard, but that is the record of the Military Police Company of which Sgt. Robbins P. Odom, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Odom of Sonora, is a member. This company, commanded by Captain Joseph M. Williams of Doylestown, Pa., has since the fall of Tunisia handled that impressive total.

In May of 1943, when the Allies were axing the Axis in the last drive on Tunis and Bizerte, the Prisoners of War were coming in by thousands. This MP company was charged with the responsibility of receiving the disorganized prisoners, dividing them into groups to facilitate handling, feeding them, clothing them in the styles of the prisoners of war and seeing that they were well guarded to prevent escape.

That they performed their duties well is attested to by the well-ordered efficiency with which the prisoners were received, processed and dispatched to their ultimate camps of internment. They can tell of thwarted escapes where some ambitious Germans were discovered hiding in garbage cans or water barrels or under trucks. But they can honestly say no man ever got by them.

It is not so strange that the men of this company have the "know-how" they possess. Every last one of them has been in at least one campaign, fifty percent have been in two campaigns and there are many who have fought in all the campaigns waged thus far in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. They are a battle-wise lot.

Today the company is performing important security guard duties in a large North African city. They live in a hotel that has been converted into a GI billet and Company Headquarters, and from here they operate on a twenty-four hour round-the-clock basis. It is a difficult job, a long one and a vital one.

"Their morale is excellent," reports Captain Williams, "but you can't blame them for looking forward to the chance of guarding the last prisoner of this war."

Visitors of Mrs. Jack Ellingson arriving here Tuesday are her mother, Mrs. Carrie Whittemore, and her sister, Miss Ruth Whittemore, both of Newton, Kansas. Miss Whittemore will make her home here for the duration with Mrs. Ellingson.

Tom Elaine Espy, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Espy who underwent a tonsilectomy in a San Angelo hospital last week, had improved enough to be brought home on Tuesday of this week.

NOTICE

The Soliciting Committee for the 4-H Club Wool Show and Lions Livestock Auction Sale, to be held in June, has asked that ranchers cut back the animals they intend to donate to the sale when they start spring shearing. Animals "in the wool" make the best showing and bring the best prices.

Prospective donations should be reported as soon as possible to the soliciting committee: W. H. Dameron, George D. Chalk, J. M. Vander Stucken, B. M. Halbert, Jr., H. V. Stokes, Jack Mann.

Lt. Alan Saunders Is Lions Club Guest Speaker

Guest speaker at the Lions Club luncheon meeting Tuesday was Lt. Alan Saunders, who returned the first of this month from India where he had served for thirteen months with the India-China Wing of the Air Transport Command. He told much of the conditions there, of jungle fighting against the Japanese and of some his experiences in transporting supplies over the Himalayas Mountains to Allied troops in China. Lt. Saunders also exhibited some of the items from the collection he made while in India, which includes curios and jewelry from China, Tibet, Burma and India.

Announcement was made by W. E. Caldwell, chairman of the nominating committee, of the nominations made in committee meeting last Saturday. These were as follows: G. H. Hall, president; E. D. Shurley, first vice-president; George D. Chalk, second vice-president; J. B. Nelson, secretary; E. K. Folley, treasurer; J. Thomas Ratliff, tail twister; Berry Duff, Lion tamer, and Jack Mann and M. G. Shurley, directors, to replace Arthur Carroll and Chalk, out-going directors. Hold-over directors, whose terms do not expire until next year, are E. D. Stringer and George E. Smith.

During the meeting a technical movie, made and released by the Bell Aircraft Corporation, was shown. It pictured the way airplanes are made in a big plant under assembly-line production.

A guest at the meeting was C. C. Crutchfield, field representative of the Texas League of Municipalities.

Troy White Gets Wings On May 23

Friends here are this week receiving announcements of the graduation of Troy C. White, former Sonoran, from the Army Advanced Flying School at Luke Field, Phoenix, Arizona, on Tuesday, May 23. At these exercises for Class 44-E, the cadets received their pilot's wings and commissions as second lieutenants in the Army Air Corps. Lt. White is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy White, former Sonorans now making their home in Bellflower, Calif., and the grandson of Mrs. J. L. Cook of Sonora.

HENRY GREENHILL HOME AFTER 15 MONTHS IN ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

Henry Greenhill, Machinists Mate 1/c, and Mrs. Greenhill arrived Sunday from Stockton, Calif., where he landed on May 10 after fifteen months of overseas duty with the Seabees in the Aleutian Islands. Greenhill has been in service with the Seabees since August, 1942.

He will report back for reassignment to Camp Park, Calif., and will be accompanied there by Mrs. Greenhill.

GLENN RICHARDSON WINS TRACK HONORS

Glenn Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson of Sonora and junior student at Texas A. & M. College, tied for first place in the high jump at the Southwestern Conference Track Meet, held at Austin last Saturday. Richardson lettered in Varsity track this year and received the Major "T" gold medal, highest award given to college athletes. His brother, O. L., Jr., won the same award last year for lettering in track while a student at A. & M.

E. W. WALL PROMOTED

E. W. Wall son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wall, who is stationed at Lakeland, Fla., has recently been promoted to the rank of First Class Private. Pfc. Wall has served in the Air Corps since October 1, 1942 and has also been stationed at camps in California and Washington.

Mrs. S. L. Bell of Breckenridge, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. H. Hall, returned home this week. Accompanying her for a two-weeks visit was Cynthia Anne Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Porter, who moved to Stanton last February, have returned to Sonora to make their home.

Mrs. Evelyn Ward of Oakwood is the guest here of her daughter and son-in-law, Mel and Mrs. Edwin Ward, who returned from B. Sawyer.

Red Cross To Collect Gifts For Wounded Soldiers

Mrs. Alvis Johnson, chairman of the War Relief Production Committee of the local Red Cross, this week announced that gifts of magazines, musical instruments, sheet music and records are needed for the library and music of the McCloskey General Hospital at Temple, where American servicemen wounded overseas are stationed.

These articles may be delivered to Mrs. Johnson by the donors, or if they have no means of delivering them they may call Mrs. Johnson who will pick them up.

Mrs. Johnson recently received a letter of appreciation from the American Red Cross field director at McCloskey Hospital, acknowledging a gift of books she had sent for the patients there and saying that more gifts of that sort are needed.

The records and sheet music may be swing, semi-classical and classical, and magazines and books of all types are wanted, especially magazines which are not over two months old.

Girls' 4-H Club Formed Here, Officers Elected

A Girls 4-H Club was formed and officers were elected when seven local girls met with Mrs. Harriett Hines, War Food Assistant, on Wednesday afternoon. The officers are Joyce Johnson, president; Mary Jim Caldwell, vice-president; and Maxine Chalk, secretary-treasurer.

The group will meet again on Thursday, June 1, at the Court House, at which time summer projects will be planned. Each member is asked to bring a new member, and all other girls interested in the 4-H Club work are urged to attend.

Those who attended Wednesday's meeting were Jane Neill, Jill Henderson, Maxine Chalk, Mary Jim Caldwell, Patsy Moore, Alice Porter, Joyce Johnson, Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Cliff Johnson, the club sponsor.

TSGRA To Meet In Junction

Fort Stockton, May 18—The next quarterly meeting of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association's Board of Directors will be held on June 3 at Junction, Texas, Vestel Askew, association secretary, announced today.

Askew urged all Directors to attend, as well as other association members and friends.

Governor Coke R. Stevenson will be a guest of the sheepmen during the meeting. Durham Jones, in charge of the CCC wool appraisal work, is expected to attend. A discussion of developments in the association's efforts to secure the "constant unit method" of valuing livestock for income purposes will be given.

The meeting is called for 10 o'clock in the morning in the Kimble County Courthouse. Marsh Lea, association president from Fort Stockton, will preside. Association activities for the past quarter will be presented and future matters effecting the industry will be discussed.

The association's Kimble County directors and Junction citizens will entertain the visitors with a noon-day barbecue and livestock exhibit. Members of the Association's Women's Auxiliary will also meet during the day and will be entertained by the Junction auxiliary members.

8th GRADE HAS SWIMMING PARTY

Members of the eighth grade were given a picnic and swimming party at the Sonora swimming pool last Monday night. Sandwiches, cookies and bottled drinks were served.

Those attending were Raymie Jo McClelland, Sylvania Nichols, Jewel McGhee, Sadie Lee Hill, Robert Lovelace, Basil Halbert, III, Kathleen Schwiening, Billy Bricker, Billy Joe Nance, Chester Faught, Jackie Sharp, Gerald West, Charles Lee Cusenbary and Miss Ura Mae Haggard and Mmes. Alfred Schwiening, R. G. Nance and B. M. Halbert, Jr.

C. C. Crutchfield, field representative of the Texas League of Municipalities, was in Sonora Tuesday.

Teachers For 1944-45 Term Are Announced

Announcement was made this week by Superintendent E. D. Stringer that twenty-two of the thirty Sonora Public School teachers will return next year to teach here.

Those who will be here next year, according to present plans, are Mmes. M. O. Britt, Ruth Bourn, Dayton Cain, Lena E. Cousins, Keith James, Gene Lightfoot, E. D. Stringer and A. E. Prugel; also Misses Margaret Barton, Emma Blundell, Christine Boone, Freddie Mae Cox, Annie L. Duncan, Evelyn Emmett, Emma Hamilton, Ura Mae Haggard, Ruby Nell Haggard, Charlotte Kavanaugh, Anne Palmer, Frances Probandt, Janie Rogers and Nita Thomerson.

Those now teaching, who will not be here next year are C. C. Ball, high school principal, Miss Sally Cobb, Miss Wilma Elliott, Ben Featherston, principal of the elementary school, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lackey, Miss Mildred Mund and M. A. Tant, the Elliott school principal.

Ball has resigned and plans to enter service with one of the branches of the Armed Forces; Miss Cobb will enter the University of Texas; Miss Elliott is retiring; Featherston is accepting a position with the Social Security Department; Mr. and Mrs. Lackey have resigned; Miss Mund will teach in the Lakeview schools, and Tant has accepted the position of principal of the Los Fresnos High School.

Members of the faculty who plan to spend the summer here are Mr. and Mrs. Stringer, Mrs. Lightfoot, Mrs. Prugel, Miss Barton, Miss Hamilton, Miss Kavanaugh, Tant and Mrs. Cain.

14 Registrants Are Reclassified

Fourteen Sutton County registrants were reclassified by the local Selective Service Board in meeting Wednesday of this week. These reclassifications are as follows:

- 1-A: Santos G. Reyes, Pasquel Gamez, J. R. Davenport.
- 1-Ah: Lotta L. Turner.
- 1-C: Benito Leija, Clifton B. Harris, Max Almaguer, Richard B. Boughton.
- 2-G: Glenn Reeves.
- 3-D: George A. Barrow.
- 4-F: Telesforo Martinez, Victor Castillo, Jr., Elmer Lewis Reed, Nicolas Alago.

5 LEAVE WED. FOR ARMY INDUCTION

Five Sutton County men left Wednesday morning for Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, for induction into the Army. They are Sid Lakey, William Allen Chancey, Franklin Leo Berry, Truett Wilson and Benjamin Franklin Lee.

ROBERT V. KELLEY IN PREFLIGHT TRAINING IN SAN ANTONIO

Of the 149 Texans in the present preflight class at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, one is Robert V. Kelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kelley of Sonora.

In the preflight courses, which prepare them for aerial instruction, are future pilots, bombardiers and navigators. The cadets begin training as a single group, later being separated for specialized training as bombardiers, navigators and pilots midway through the ten-weeks course.

BOUGHTONS HOSTS TO NIGHT CLUB

Dr and Mrs. I. B. Boughton were hosts last Saturday night to members and guests of the Night Club, when they entertained with a dinner and bridge party. Queen Ann's lace and cornflowers were used in the decoration of the rooms.

High score for club went to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dameron, high for guests to Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ratliff and traveling slam prize was awarded to Mrs. Ratliff.

Members present were Messrs. and Mmes. Ben Cusenbary, Dameron, J. B. Ross and Mrs. George Wynn. The guests included Messrs. and Mmes. R. A. Halbert, P. J. Taylor, Ratliff and R. C. Vicars.

Visitors in the homes of Mrs. Earl Duncan and Mrs. Curtis Nicholas this week were their mother, Mrs. Winnie West of Miles, their aunt, Mrs. S. V. Wheeler of Burleson, and their brother and sister-in-law and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel West and Sue of Fort Worth.

Accident Victim Reported Better

The condition of the nine-year-old son of Willie Reyes, who was seriously injured last Saturday morning when struck by a truck, was reported this week to be improving. The child suffered internal injuries and a fractured pelvis and underwent an emergency operation in a San Angelo hospital where he was taken immediately following the accident which occurred about 9:30 o'clock. The doctor in charge reported that several transfusions have been given the boy.

The accident occurred in the street between the First National Bank and the Corner Drug Store. According to bystanders the child ran in front of the truck just as the driver turned off main street to the right, and the accident was unavoidable.

Driver of the truck, which belongs to the Stanlind Oil Company, was Bethel Jeffrey of Eldorado.

Exercises Held For Elementary School Graduates

Fifteen students of the Sonora Elementary School received their diplomas in commencement exercises held at the High School Auditorium on Tuesday night.

Those who graduated into High School are as follows: Tony Adams, John L. Barrows, Billy Bricker, Charles Lee Cusenbary, Elise Farrar, Chester Faught, Basil M. Halbert, III, Sadie Lee Hill, Robert Lovelace, Raymie Jo McClelland, Jewel, McGhee, Billy Joe Nance, Sylvania Nichols, Gerald West, Kathleen Schwiening and Jack Sharp.

\$1,057 Donated To Memorial Fund

A total of \$1,057 had been donated toward the erection of the Servicemen's Memorial by Wednesday, according to a report from the financial committee. Goal set by the memorial committee is \$3,000. Solicitations for donations began at the Lions Club Ranchman's Day on May 9, but many contributions had been made before then.

Those on the financial committee are Mmes. R. A. Halbert and H. C. Kirby and Latin-American members, Mmes. Theodore Virgen and Joe Sanchez.

Senior Piano Students Present Recital Thursday

Senior piano students of Mrs. W. E. Caldwell and Miss Marjory Ann Dameron, pupil of Mrs. W. T. Hardy, were presented in a recital Thursday night at the High School Auditorium.

The following program was presented:

"Anvil Chorus", by Kathryn Ross and Jimmy Cusenbary; "Moonlight Revels", from "Midsummer Night's Dream", Frankie Bond; "Dance of the Rosebuds", Helen Martin; "Romance in A", Charles Lee Cusenbary; "Waltz in E Flat", Ada Ruth Martin; "Hungarian Dance No. 5", Edith Eldridge; "Military March, Tommy Bond and Charles Lee Cusenbary; "Scherzo in B Flat", Jane Neill; "Shower of Stars", Jimmy Cusenbary; "Colonial March", James Theodore Hunt; "Carmen", Edith Eldridge, Kathryn Ross, Mary Lou Neuberger; "Theme from Concerto P", Tommy Bond; "Il Trovatore", Mary Lou Neuberger; "Capricci", Kathryn Ross; "Second Mazurka", Marjory Ann Dameron.

Happy Birthday

- Saturday, May 27—Mrs. Bill Bell, Mrs. Nellie Allen
- Sunday, May 28—John Wesley Joy
- Monday, May 29—Mrs. Batts Friend, Mrs. Billie Penick
- Tuesday, May 30—Mrs. Guenard Stephenson, Barbara Schwiening, Louie Trainer
- Wednesday, May 31—Richard Sellman
- Thursday, June 1—Mrs. John Ward, Jr.
- Friday, June 2—None

Mrs. Bill Ferricks of Phoenix, Arizona, was here last Friday visiting her uncle, Leo E. Brown.

Hart Johnson Speaker At Senior Exercises

The Hon. Hart Johnson, district attorney from Fort Stockton, in addressing the seventeen Sonora High School graduates at their commencement exercises held at the High School Auditorium on Friday night, May 19, said that the burden of making and keeping world peace after this war rests on their generation.

"Our main objective," Mr. Johnson said, "is winning the war, and it is boys just like you in this class who will win it. It will also fall to your generation to insure the peace after war." He added that, although this will be a great responsibility, it is a burden that must be accepted by their generation.

The salutatory address was made by Marguerite Howell, and Bernie Dawn Gibbs made the valedictory speech.

Invocation was offered by the Reverend J. E. Eldridge, and benediction was pronounced by the Reverend F. L. Meadow. Presentation of the diplomas was made by Bryan Hunt, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Marjory Dameron played a piano solo, "Second Mazurka" by Godard, and Marguerite Howell also offered a solo, "Rustle of Spring" by Sinding.

Eugene Shurley made the presentation of the Senior Class gift to the school, an one hundred-dollar War Bond.

Processional and recessional numbers were played by Mrs. E. D. Shurley, who also played accompaniments for group singing.

Those receiving their diplomas were Cynthia Milton, Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Jerry Meekel, Marjory Dameron, Margie Roberson, Marguerite Howell, Wanda B. Cook, Billie Cartwright, Josette Boughton, Sybil Burleson, Frances Atchison, Jim Martin, Bobby Martin, J. T. Jackson, Eugene Shurley, Don Nicholas and Eugene Wallace.

Local Girl To Be On Radio Program Sunday

DENTON, TEXAS, May 23—The Vocalists of Texas State College for Women, a vocal ensemble of ten girls, will appear on Interstate Theaters' College Capers of the Air May 28. The broadcast will be a special feature of "Showtime" at 3:30 p. m. over the Texas Quality Network. Soprano soloist with the Vocalists will be Miss Betty Jo Zachery of Fort Worth, and Elizabeth Taylor of Sonora will be in the ensemble.

The new radio series, an outgrowth of the popular road show version which toured the Texas Interstate Theater circuit in the summer of 1942 with an all-college cast, had its opening program May 21.

Acts appearing on the series will receive remuneration plus traveling and maintenance expenses. A committee of judges will select the four best acts for the elimination program, two of which will appear in the final program. The winning act will receive at least a four weeks' contract on Showtime, with a possibility of appearing on a national network show.

Both TSCW acts selected have appeared frequently in entertainments sponsored by the College Music department, for servicemen in Army camps and veterans' hospitals. They have visited McCloskey General Hospital at Temple, Harmon General Hospital, Longview, Ashturn Hospital, McKinney, and the U. S. Public Health Service Hospital, Fort Worth. The Vocalists was organized last fall by William E. Jones, head of the college music department and director of choral work. The group has a repertoire of approximately 20 popular and semi-classical songs.

Miss Taylor, contralto, is a freshman speech major in TSCW. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Taylor.

5,000 LB. WASTEPAPER SHIPPED LAST WEEK

Approximately five thousand pounds of wastepaper collected locally was moved to the Salvage Depot at Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, on Tuesday of last week, according to County Salvage chairman, George D. Chalk. In charge of the wastepaper salvage activities was E. D. Stringer, and the paper was transported to the depot by trucks from Goodfellow Field.

Chalk announced that further wastepaper salvage activities will be suspended until arrangements are made for storage and disposal.

Norma Lovelace Becomes Bride Of Lt. McGara

In a candlelight ceremony performed Wednesday evening at nine o'clock, May 17, Miss Norma Lovelace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd W. Lovelace of Sonora, became the bride of Lt. Donald R. McGara of Trafford, Pennsylvania. The double ring ceremony was read in the First Methodist Church of Boise, Idaho.

The bride wore a tailored suit of sky blue silk faille, a white straw hat and white accessories, and her corsage was of white gardenias and pink rosebuds. She was attended by Mrs. Gwen Whitt of San Angelo, Texas, as matron of honor, who wore a two-piece yellow dress with black accessories and a corsage of rosebuds.

Lt. Thomas J. McMahon of Los Angeles, California, attended Lt. McGara as best man.

About fifteen guests attended the ceremony.

Mrs. McGara graduated from Ozona High School and immediately entered the Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital as a student nurse. She is now a senior and a member of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps.

Before entering the Air Corps, Lt. McGara was employed in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as a machinist with Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co. He received his training in Florida and Georgia and received his commission at the San Angelo Army Air Field in March. From there he was sent to Boise for crew assignment. He is a bombardier on a B-24 Fortress.

TO SPONSOR DANCE

Members of the War Service Club announced this week that they will sponsor a dance on the night of June 21, following the Lions Club Annual Livestock Auction Sale. Harrison's Texans will play for the dance which will be held at the Boy Scout Hall.

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Recent Bride Honored With Shower And Tea

Mrs. Sam Smith, Jr., a recent bride, was named honor guest at a shower given by Josette Boughton at her home Tuesday afternoon.

Punch, cookies and cake were served, and Mrs. R. V. Cook, mother of the bride, presided at the punch bowl. Marjory Dameron played several piano selections throughout the afternoon.

Gifts were received from the following: Misses Jean Cliff Johnson, Carolyn Johnson, Marjory Dameron, Marguerite Howell, Mary Lou Neuberger, Jerry Meckel, Lila D. Chalk, Cynthia Milton, Doris Nell Prater, Charlene Hull, Betty Faye Glasscock, Ethel Mae Alley, Snookie Reiley, Margie Roberson, Mildred Mund and Pat Reiley, and Mmes. Chris Wyatt and H. L. Lackey.

A number of gifts were also received from people who were unable to attend.

Howell Home Scene Of Party For Seniors

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell were hosts at a buffet dinner party honoring the senior class last Wednesday night. The flowers used for decoration in the rooms were red and white roses, which are the class flowers and the class colors. The serving table, from which the chicken dinner was served, was laid with a cut-work and lace cloth, centered with a bowl of red roses and Queen Anne's lace flanked by four red tapers. Miniature bowls of roses centered the quartet tables at which the guests were served. Places were marked with miniature diplomas, and favors were scrolls on which prophecies had been written and which were tied with red ribbon.

After dinner, the guests were taken to La Vista theater.

Those attending the party were Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Billie Cartwright, Josette Boughton, Cynthia Milton, Marguerite Howell, Sybil Burleson, Marjory Dameron, Margie Roberson, Jerry Meckel, Frances Atchison, Eugene Shurley, Don Nicholas, J. T. Jackson, Jim Martin, Bobby Martin, Gene Wallace; Misses Wilma Elliott and Annie

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sawyer announce the birth of a daughter on Sunday, May 21. The baby weighed six pounds and has been named Sarah Lynn. Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Evelyn Ward of Oakwood, Texas, and the paternal grandmother is Mrs. Mae B. Sawyer of Sonora.

McGHEE, DONAHUE MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Edith Donahue, daughter of Mrs. Lillian Donahue of Valley Falls, Rhode Island, and Chief R/M Lloyd H. McGhee, on April 29, in Valley Falls.

Chief McGhee is the son of Mrs. Fern McGhee of Sonora.

After a short honeymoon in New York City, McGhee returned to his ship and Mrs. McGhee to Valley Falls where she is employed and where she will make her home for the duration with her mother.

Duncan and Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dameron.

Mrs. Howell was assisted in serving by Mrs. W. R. Cusenbary.

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JEAN SAUNDERS, Editor

Sonora, Texas, Friday, May 26, 1944

The Devil's River News

Cook - Smith Rites Announced

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. (Pete) Cook have announced the marriage of their daughter, Wanda Bealuh, to Sam Smith, Jr., son of Mrs. Lenora Smith of Kennedy, Texas, on Thursday, May 18. The wedding took place at the parsonage of the Trinity Methodist Church in San Angelo.

The bride wore a dress of white wool jersey with black accessories, and her corsage was of red roses.

Mrs. Smith was graduated from the Sonora High School this year.

Smith graduated from Kennedy High School in 1940 and is employed by the Phillips Oil Co.

Mrs. J. W. Turner and Mrs. Cook, grandmother and mother of the bride, were the only attendants at the wedding.

Mrs. Lea Allison and Mrs. Rip Ward were visitors in San Angelo Wednesday.

Seniors Honored With Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Libb Wallace were hosts last Thursday night when they honored the senior class with a dinner party. Red and white roses were used for decoration throughout the rooms. After dinner, dancing was enjoyed by the guests.

Seniors attending were Frances Atchison, Marjory Dameron, Jerry Meckel, Margie Roberson, Sybil Burleson, Marguerite Howell, Cynthia Milton, Josette Boughton, Billie Cartwright, Bernie Dawn Gibbs, Gene Shurley, Don Nicholas, J. T. Jackson, Jim Martin, Bobby Martin and Gene Wallace; also Misses Wilma Elliott and Libby Jo Wallace; Mmes. Ella Wallace and Frances Trainer; Messrs. and Mmes. W. H. Dameron, R. D. Trainer, Wylie Trainer, E. D. Stringer and Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell; and R. W. Wallace, George D. Wallace, Sanford Trainer, Sid-

Marjory Dameron Is Honor Guest At Barbecue

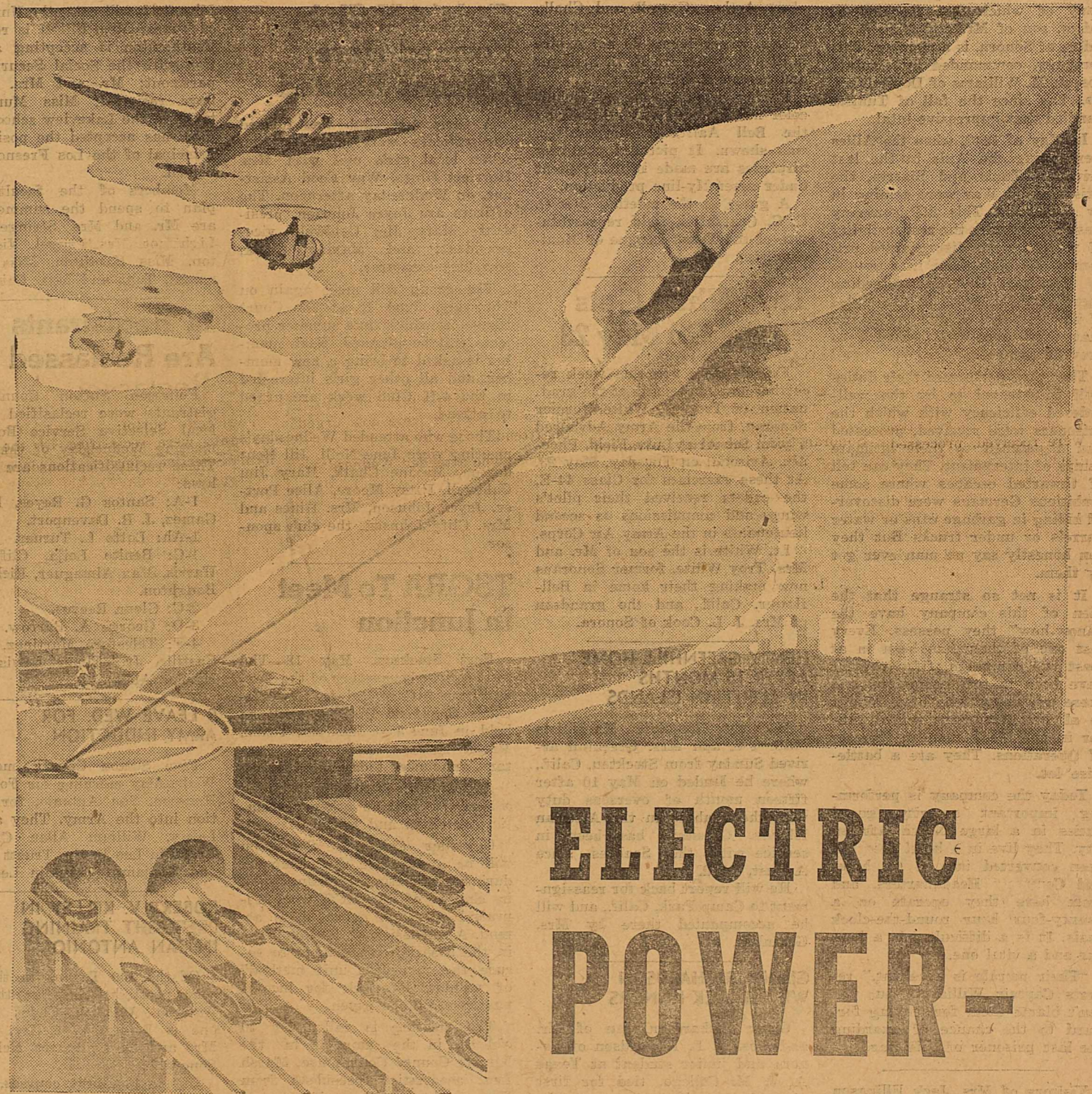
Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt entertained the graduating class of the Sonora High School at their home on the ranch Monday evening, naming Marjory Dameron as honor guest.

The guests rode horseback, swam, played games and danced.

Guests, other than the seniors who attended were James Theodore Hunt, Nancy Bryan Hunt, Mary Elaine Stringer, Sidney Awalt, Dock Simmons, Miss Libby Jo Wallace and Messrs. and Mmes. E. D. Stringer, Libb Wallace, Theo Savell, Miers Savell and Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell.

ney Awalt, Robert Trainer and A. F. Moffitt, III.

Mrs. Wallace was assisted by Mmes. Wylie Trainer and J. D. Wallace and Miss Libby Jo Wallace.



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Lt. Alan Saunders says the boys fighting the Japs in the Burma jungles last winter prophesied their victories as follows:
Mandalay in May
Rangoon in June and
Singapore in '44.
They're a little behind schedule, but the spirit is still there.

—(1/2*?1&lb*1/2)—

During the past week about a half million pounds of spring wool have been stored at the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company house here, bringing the total to one and one half million pounds to date. That stored in the past week represents the clip of between 50 and 60 ranchers.

—(1/2*?1&lb*1/2)—

Latest rains this month, as measured at the wool house, were .34 of an inch last Friday, May 19, and .05 on Sunday, May 21.

—(1/2*?1&lb*1/2)—

Tom Thorp's milk cow had a heifer calf two weeks ago that was an oddity even to Tom who has worked with and around livestock all his life. The calf was perfect in every respect except that she was born without eyeballs. The sockets and lids were perfectly formed otherwise.

—(1/2*?1&lb*1/2)—

Stock movements here have been steady for the past two weeks, although shipments have been light.

Muttons bought by C. T. Jones, Sr., during the past two weeks includes 86 from Sam Karnes, 113 from Dave Locklin, 368 from Arthur Simmons, 447 from Leonard Gibbs, 10 from J. D. Lowrey, 794 from Rip Ward, 293 from Mrs. Louella O'Leary and 217 from C. T. Jones, Jr. He also bought 228 E. M. DeBerry ewes.

Other sheep sales include those made to C. C. Bledsoe of San Angelo, all of which were muttons and were as follows: 53 from T. E. Glasscock, 17 from H. E. Glasscock, 91 from Joe Berger, 584 from Sterling Baker, shipped to George Russell at Walnut Grove, Mo.

Muttons bought by Al Dumaine, of the Livestock Producers Assn. of Fort Worth include 1,297 from E. J. Fawcett of Del Rio and shipped to Sheldon, Mo., 282 from George Thumelson of Loma Alta, 472 from Emery Davis of Loma Alta and 150 from John Galloway of Del Rio.

Other shipments and sales include 950 muttons from R. V. Sewell to O. L. Richardson, shipped to Bob Boyer at Fort Worth; 834 muttons from Oscar Appelt to Boyer; 1,168 muttons from W. L. Kothman to G. W. Nicholas, Argentine, Kan.; 317 muttons from John Clay & Co. of Fort Worth to Clyde Marcy, Adair, Ill.

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49 Years Ago

The closing exercises of Sonora's School took place at the school building Friday afternoon. There was a full attendance of the past exercises were opened with a welcome song by the choir, composed of Mmes. H. G. Rountree and Cokrons of the school and citizens. The er and Messrs. R. E. and T. Covington. The address of welcome was delivered by Miss Annie Adams. Numerous recitations, music, drills, etc, were then rendered by the scholars in a most creditable manner. The following pupils, who had been selected previously for competition for a gold medal for recitation, rendered their selections in such high order that it was almost impossible to judge who was the best: Sally Lovelace, Eddie DeBerry, Emmet Bell, Lula Holland, Mona Rountree, Cora Rountree, Annie Adams, Ora Coker and Ruby Halbert. The judges retired and, after a long time, re-

turned with the judgement in favor of Miss Annie Adams. Prof. Stevenson dismissed the audience with a few appropriate remarks after having given a prize to Forrest Stewart and Miss Minnie Palmer for the best attendance throughout the term and a prize to Miss Hollie Davis for the largest number of visitors on recitation days. The exercises were very enjoyable, and Prof. Stevenson and Miss Thornton, the teachers, are to be congratulated.

—49—

Miss Nannie Thornton, who is a general favorite with the pupils and patrons of the Sonora public schools, intends leaving today on a visit to her sister and friends in Houston.

—49—

Sonora is one of the few towns in the west that has had a nine-months school.

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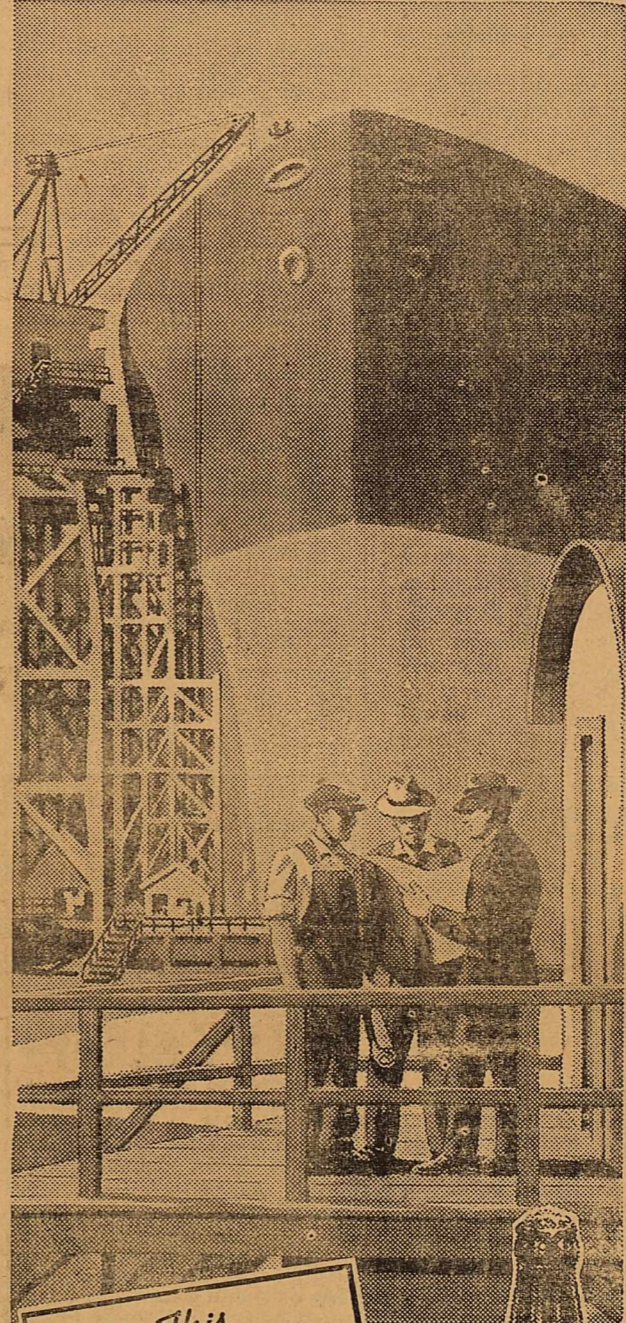
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Washington Letter

BY O. C. FISHER

VETERANS' G. I. BILL

Last week the House passed the bill known as the "G. I. Bill of Rights". It is a rehabilitation measure and is designed to help veterans of this war go back to where they left off when they left their businesses or jobs to go into military service.

The purpose of the G. I. bill is to restore veterans as nearly as possible to their programs which were suddenly interrupted by the war.

The bill provides tuition and a reasonable allowance for those who are in need of and who desire to attend an apprentice or trade school for a year.

If their education was interrupted by induction, provision is made for the completion of the school and college work of ex-servicemen and women. The veteran would choose his own school, provided it is approved by the State education authorities and the Veterans Administration.

The bill also provides that the government, under certain conditions, guarantees up to a limited amount a portion of loans made to veterans by private lending agencies, where such loans are for the purpose of buying, leasing, etc., homes farms or small businesses.

Another provision is designed to provide placement and employment service for returning soldiers.

Still another section provides for unemployment insurance for as much as 26 weeks out of the first two years. This is applicable only where a showing is made of inability to secure work.

The bill covers a number of

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THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



"I hear that Tom is going to be sent into the Army next week, Judge?"
"Yes, Frank told me this morning down at the barber shop. Our town's got a lot of men in the service now, Jim. In fact, all towns have. I was just reading in the paper where there are more than 10,000,000 men away from their homes in the armed forces. And, from all reports, they're doing a grand job of bringing victory closer every day."
"We folks at home have a mighty big obligation to those 10,000,000 fighting men. We've got to produce the food to keep them

well fed. We've got to keep them supplied with the ammunition and equipment they need to finish their job. We've got to help the Government pay for all these supplies our men need by buying more and more War Bonds. We'll have another big chance to do that by helping to put the 5th War Loan drive over the top, Jim."
"And, in addition, we must be sure that while they're away and can't express their opinions, we don't go voting on and deciding any things that will displease them when they come back."

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NOTICE BY GUARDIAN OF APPLICATION FOR MINERAL LEASE OF REAL ESTATE OF WARD

In Re Guardianship of the Estate of Mrs. M. E. Holland, Non Compos Mentis No. 436
In the County Court of Kimble County, Texas.

Notice is hereby given that I, Clay H. Holland, guardian of the estate of Mrs. M. E. Holland, Non Compos Mentis, have this day filed my application in the above entitled and numbered cause for an order of the County Judge of Kimble County, Texas, authorizing me as the guardian of the estate of said ward to make a mineral lease upon such terms as the court may order and direct, of the following described real estate belonging to the ward, and situated in Sutton and Kimble Counties, Texas, to wit:

Part of Texas Western Narrow Gauge Railway Company Survey No. 23, Pat. 559, Vol. 29, described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the North line of Survey No. 6, Block A, GWT & P Ry. Co. Survey; distant 23 varas West of the N. E. corner of said Survey No. 6; THENCE North to the N. E. corner of this Survey No. 23; THENCE West 1,900 varas to the N. W. corner of this Survey No. 23; THENCE South to the North boundary line of said Survey No. 6 to place of beginning containing 440.4 acres of land more or less.

Said application will be heard by the County Judge at the courthouse in the city of Junction, Texas, on the 5th day of June, A. D. 1944.

(Signed) Clay H. Holland,
Guardian of the Estate of Mrs. M. E. Holland, Non Compos Mentis

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Years ago, the sports department of a big Texas daily had so many important football games coming up that they called on the state editor to write up one of them. He was tall, gray-haired, matter-of-fact, and had seen just two football games in his life—and they were so far back that a field goal counted four points and a team had only three tries for the first down, but the distance was only five yards. However, he

didn't let on, and the story that he wrote was a gem of its kind. Here's the way it started off:

"The Comanche Indians tied a knot in the San Angelo Bobcats' tail."

A bobcat has a tail about an inch long and anybody that could tie a knot in that, really would be doing sum'p'n!

Reminds me of the two men who were talking on the street and one of them remarked:

"Any man who would hide behind a woman's skirts is a coward." The other glanced around at

the short skirts and replied: "Any man who can do that is a magician."

And that calls to mind the days of national prohibition. After beer was banished, some company brought out a product known as "near beer". Two men were trying it out and one of them held up a glass and said:

"The fellow who named this near-beer was a darn poor judge of distance."

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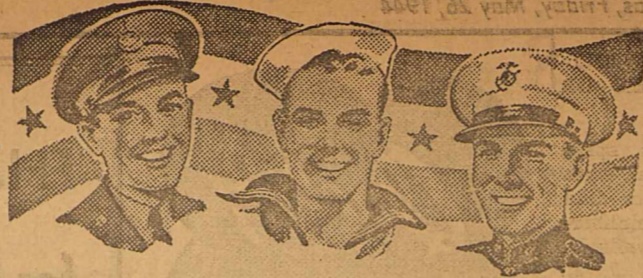
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When you know something of interest about a member of the armed force from the Sonora area, write or telephone us. We'll appreciate it and the men in uniform will be glad to hear about their friends and buddies in other parts of the world. This feature page will act as a clearing house for the activities of the service men, many of whom receive the News.

Cpl. A. W. Awalt, who is stationed somewhere in Hawaii, writes the following:

"I received a letter from you today that was mailed on the 28th of April. Sure was glad to hear from you and to know that everyone was O. K. I was also glad to receive the pictures.

"I went into Honolulu today, but I didn't do much of anything. We had a couple of good meals and went to a couple of good shows, which we had seen before. I will try to find Vernon Cook and also the other boys that are over here from home."

"I went to church this morning, and it was the first time since I have been on this island that I have attended church services in a church. All of our other services have been out in the field. Our chaplain had a very nice Mother's Day sermon. I imagine that there was many a homesick boy this morning.

"I have a chance to have a five-day leave, and I can go to the main island of Hawaii. It is really a nice trip and also a vacation. Several of the boys out of my platoon have gone, and they really did enjoy their trip. It is 250 miles from here. We either go by boat or by plane, so besides the leave, the trip is nice. It isn't a soldier's town at all. It is more or less a rest city. Three of us have put in to go on the second of June.

"Be good, and I will see you some day."

The following letter from Cpl. Nelson Chadwich, who is stationed at Great Bend, Kansas, states:

"I am pretty tired tonight, and

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12 MARINES

my ears are ringing. I just got back from Albuquerque, New Mexico. We left at 8:30 this morning, stayed over there about two hours and got back here about 6:30. Five planes flew in formation over there. We flew at sixteen thousand and used oxygen most of the trip. It sure makes you tired to fly a long mission. It was clear most of the way but was pretty rough. We saw and flew over some snow-capped mountains. One of them we went over was ten thousand feet high.

"I had a chance to be a tail gunner but didn't take it. I should have, I guess, but I took right side gunner. I don't like flying so well. It gets old, flying every day for six or eight hours, and we don't get so much to eat. We take sandwiches, and coffee with us but miss lots of good meals. I sure like our officers here that fly. Lots of them are majors, and any of them will go out of their way to help us.

"I might go to L. A., Calif., next week and will try to see you, but I know we won't be there very long—just long enough to refuel. Well, I got up at five this morning, so I will close and go to bed. Have to fly six hours tomorrow. Have been getting more letters since I got here."

Cpl. Sam Chadwich writes from somewhere in North Africa:

"It seems months since I heard from you. I was over at the Red Cross today, and they had a German band down there letting them play for the boys. They were pretty good, and one fellow sang, 'You'll Never Know', or something like that, but the rest of the boys I

couldn't understand. They also had devil's food cake and coffee for five francs. That was pretty good too. I didn't use to think much of the Red Cross, but it is really alright. That is about the best place to go to in town over there. We're having a show to night, so I guess I had better stroll down that way and see if I can get a seat. Tell everyone 'hello' and write soon."

The following poem was clipped from an overseas paper and sent to the Devil's River News by one of Sonora's soldiers:

"What did you do today, my friend,
From morning until night?
How many times did you complain
That rationing is too tight?
When are you going to start to do
All of the things you say?
A soldier would like to know,
my friend,
What did you do today?
We met the enemy today,
And took the town by storm.
Happy reading it will make
For you tomorrow morn.
You'll read with satisfaction
The brief communique.
We fought, but are you fighting?
What did you do today?
My gunner died in my arms to-day.

I feel his warm blood yet.
Your neighbor's dying boy gave out
A scream I can't forget.
On my right a tank was hit
A flash and then a fire:
The stench of burning flesh
Still rises from the pyre.

In The Service

Home From The War



2 COAST GUARD

going to put on me is all off. They aren't going to put it on, and I sure am glad. Boy, I sure was glad to hear that news. They may send me to a rest camp before too long, and that will be a lot better than being in a hospital and looking at the ceiling and walls.

"I don't think that the Army will let me come home just yet, but maybe next year. I sure hope so. The reason that they won't let me come right now is because of that rumor, I think. Have you heard it yet? I hear that there is a war going on somewhere. I sure would like to know if there is any truth in it, but you never can tell

Lt. Phillip Pring, instructor at the Marfa Army Air Field, was a visitor here last week-end and the early part of this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Meckel. He also visited with Lavelle Meckel and Mr. and Mrs. Palmer West in Eldorado.

as there are too many of those rumors getting started in this Army.

"Well, maybe I have rambled on enough, so I will stop and write you again in a couple of days. I hope this finds all of you well and in good spirits. Write often and tell me all the local news. Thanks for the clippings, as I enjoyed them so much."

Lt. Clayton Bray of Camp Blanding, Fla., arrived here Monday for a week's visit with Mrs. Bray. Mrs. Bray will return with him to Florida.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Words are 'Words'

There's a poster on the wall of Sam Abernathy's store that doesn't say much. It just shows a cross, with a Yankee helmet on it—and the caption: "Light words are 'grave' words."

It isn't hard to figure out what that sign means. Loose talk has dug a lot of graves... and done a lot of harm here at home, too. And still you hear it.

You hear, for instance, talk about our soldiers drinking and carousing around Army Camps. Of course, when you get the facts there's not an atom of

truth in it. A U. S. Government survey found our soldiers were the soberest, the best behaved in history—with most of them drinking nothing stronger than a moderate glass of beer.

From where I sit, that kind of "loose talk" can do just as much to undermine morale as any rumor that the Axis could invent. And it's up to every one of us to spike that kind of sabotage before it spreads.

Joe Marsh

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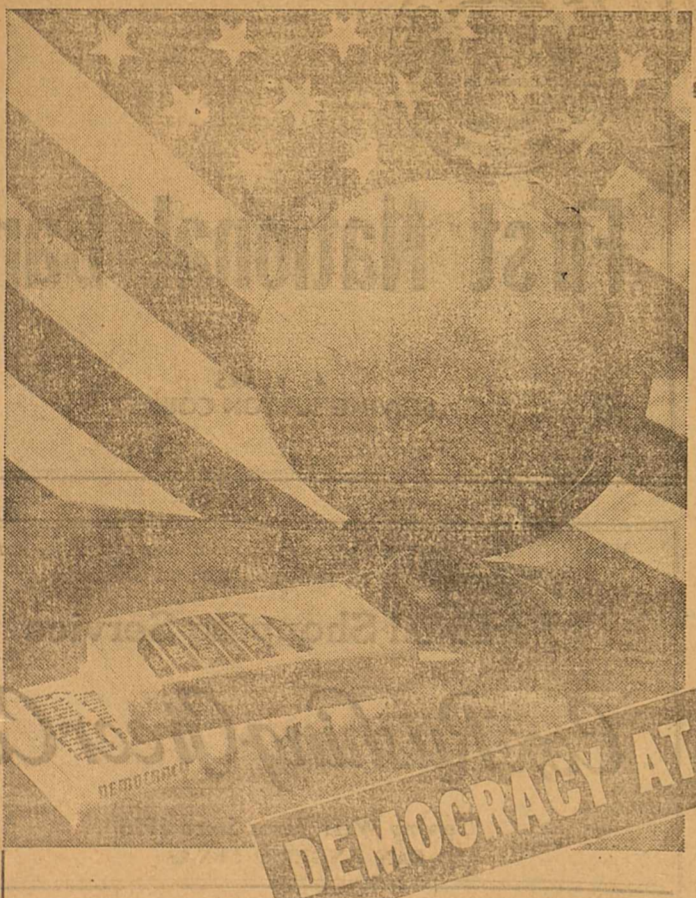
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W.M.U. HOLDS BUSINESS MEETING

The W. M. U. met in a business session at the Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon. The meeting opened with a song, "Lily of the Valley", with Mrs. J. E. Eldridge at the piano. Mrs. Fred Wright then led the group in prayer. The president, Mrs. Alfred Cooper, read the devotional from the Book

of Romans.

A motion was made by Mrs. Eldridge and seconded by Mrs. G. G. Stephenson that the members meet every fifth Wednesday, visit the new people in Sonora and invite them to attend church.

Mrs. Lee Hart was elected Missionary Chairman.

It was voted that each member offer a short prayer for peace at 9 o'clock each morning in her home, to and through the invasion of Europe.

Mrs. Eldridge led the group in a closing prayer.

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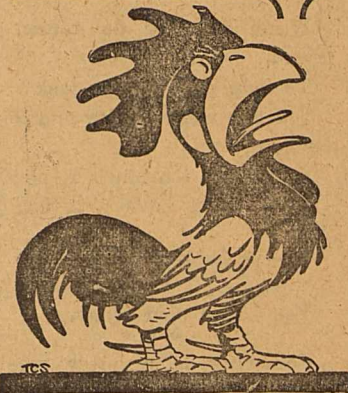
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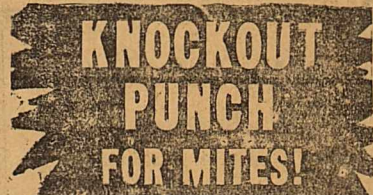
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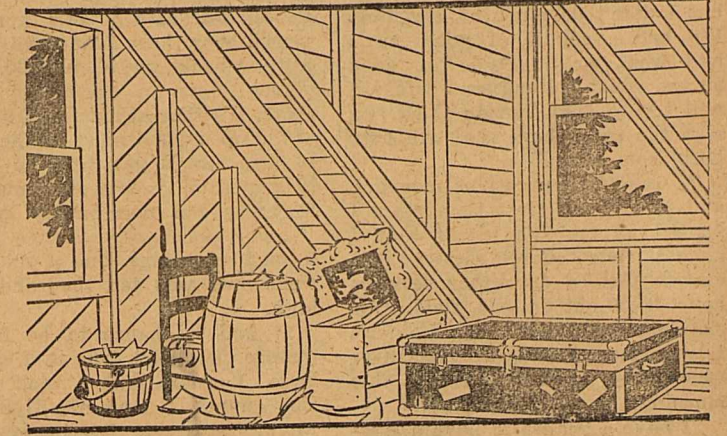
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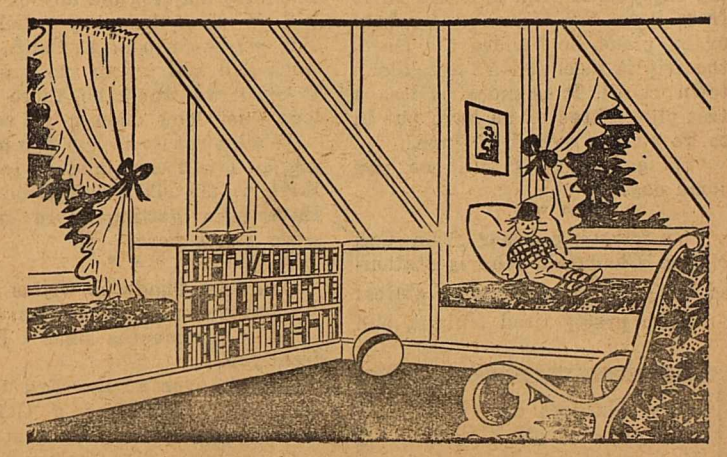
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